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In re Patent Application of:  
Kiyoshi Takeuchi et al.

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD  
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

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Examiner: E. Lee

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 7, 2008 (Paper No. 20080701), Applicants hereby elect group I (claims 1-15) for continued examination without traverse. Additionally, Applicants elect Species IX (Figure 12b) without traverse. Claims 1 and 10 read on Species IX.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

No fee is believed due with this response. In the event a fee is required, the Patent Office is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 50-2215. Consideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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